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TRA DIRECTOR ROBERSON NAMED TO NATIONAL EDUCATION, RESEARCH PANEL

NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Tennessee Regulatory Authority Director Eddie Roberson has been named to a new subcommittee of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners that will analyze its education and research programs and opportunities.

Gov. Phil Bredesen appointed Dr. Roberson to the TRA in May 2006. Dr. Roberson is one of seven members named to the subcommittee by NARUC President Jim Kerr of the North Carolina Utilities Commission.

"I am honored to be appointed to this national task force that will focus on education and research in the utility arena. The utility landscape is rapidly changing and serving on this task force will help us ensure that research is conducted and education provided on the issues that are important to Tennesseans," Dr. Roberson said.

The National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC) is a non-profit organization founded in 1889. Its members include the governmental agencies that are engaged in the regulation of telecommunications, energy and water utilities.

The mission of the TRA is to promote the public interest by balancing the interests of utility consumers and providers. For more information on the TRA, visit online at www.state.tn.us/tra.

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